Bome Mombers Think the President Has Hees raled to the Diplomatic War, and That He Made a Mistake in Not Haking the Bestruction of the Binte the Basis of

His Demands on the Spanish Covernment. WASHINGTON, April 1.-The House entered upon the business of the day with an appearance of caim that belied the actual condition of affairs, and which speedly was dissipated as the news of the contents of Spain's reply to President McKinley's proposals regarding Culia be-came known. Then the excitement really felt by the members asserted itself, and the proceedings of the Committee of the Whole in consideration of the Naval Appropriation bill were marked by continual outbreaks of mild disorder that kept Chairman Sherman busily sounding the desk and pleading with the com That Representatives mittee "to be in order." were disentisfied with the terms of Spain's reply and the condition of things generally in re lation thereto was only too apparent. Many of them felt, and did not hesitate to express themselves, that the Administration had been outgrievous mistake had been made in not making the destruction of the Maine and the loss of her gallant crew the occasion for demanding reparation from Spain.

The infamous reconcentrado order of Weyler has been revoked," said one, "and the determination of the Spanish Government to provide for the relief of the victims of that order has deprived us of the excuse for intervening in the affairs of Cuba on grounds of humanity and civilization. If we had made the explosion of the Maine the basis for calling Bpain to account we should have had the approval of the world and of our own conscience as well."

The sentiment in favor of declaring war was almost unanimous, and the opinion that the Executive must take the initative, in the form of recommendation or otherwise, was as general. Mr. De Armond of Missouri, in a speech on the Naval bill, expressed a belief, held by many, that the Government should have made ready to prevent the approach of Spain's torpedo flotilla to American waters; that the interception of that fleet was fully justified by the facts; that it was a menace to our peace and safety by a hostile nation, and that every despatch of an armed vessel from Spain to the western shore of the Atlantic was intended as a menace to the United States.

Every rumor regarding the developments of the day was eagerly seized upon by the members and its bearings on the situation were discussed. Credence was given to the wildest and most exaggerated forms of gossip. Two stories that found widest circulation were that Gen. Wood ford had been recalled from Madrid and that Gen. Lee had been assassinated in Havana, Nearly every one expressed the livellest concern for Gen. Lee's future, all believing that if hostilities break out the first thing would be the assassination of the Consul-General.

The excited state of feeling rampant on the floors and in the corridors was intensified when between 3 and 4 o'clock Speaker Reed left the Capitol, and it became known that he had been summoned to the White House. Upon his return, an hour later, he was surrounded by eager questioners, to whom he was able to communicate but little that was definite or satisfying. It was assumed that the President had deter mined to make no further advances to Spain, and the Speaker was asked when a message would be sent to Congress. He replied:

"If the President prepares such a document as he has outlined to gentlemen who have consulted him, he will be more than human if he has it ready on Monday. It would be a review of the history of the Cuban controversy from the beginning, a presentation of the American case, not only for Congress, but for the world, and to properly prepare a document of such importance some considerable time must elapse A President cannot write a message as rapidly as a newspaper can be turned out. Maybe it i fortunate that this is so. However, it was not on this point that I talked with the President and can give you no definite information."

The Speaker did not vouchsafe specific statements regarding the topics of his consultation with the President. Members of the House wh have seen and talked with the President within the past two days-Hopkins, Hepburn of Iowa and others-agreed with the Speaker that the probabilities were against a message being sent in on Monday. Tuesday, in their opinion, was the earliest day that it might be expected.

Soon after the Speaker returned the talk about adjourning over to-morrow took definite shape, members of the House united in a hasty finish of the Naval Appropriation bill and agreed at 6 o'clock, without demur, to Mr. Dingley's motion that adjournment should be had until Monday Tuesday next will be private bill day instead of to-day, a reservation being made in the agreement to the effect that if the Committee on Foreign Affairs had a report to make everything should give way for that.

NEWPORT SENT TO KEY WEST. The Gunboat Leaves Tampa with Scaled Or ders-Gen. Lacret Arrives.

TAMPA, Fla., April 1.-The Newport sailed from Tampa this morning for Key West with sealed orders to be opened on her arrival at that place. Just what her visit to the island means her commander was unable to surmise. He thinks, however, that much needed repairs will be made as rapidly as facilities three will

Gen. Lacret, one of the most vallant of the Cuban commanders, arrived here to-night. He cuasa commanders, arrived here to-night. He left the army in Santiago de Cuba and the island in a small boat, reaching Jamaica ten days later. He became famous throughout his operations in the province of Matanzas, and a price has been set upon his head by the Spanish. On arriving here he received an ovation from the Cuban leaders. He says that the insurgents' army in the east is in splendid condition, and in the event of a war between Spain and this country would be of valuable assistance.

Adjutant Cordier of the Arizona Rangers arfived here to-night to prepare for the coming of the 1,200 rangers composing the regiment in hat territory. He says that every man in the regiment is fully equipped and is chaing for war, and the moment that it is declared the regiment will ask to be sent to the front.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY CORPS.

& Call Issued for Women of Manhattan and

Bracklyn to Meet To-Day. Miss Julia Burdell, who has inaugurated movement in Brooklyn for the organization of woman's auxiliary corps for the National

Guard, yesterday issued an address in which

she says:

A call is made to the women representatives of each regiment in Brooklyn and Manhattan by the Woman's Auxiliary Corps, N. G. N. Y., to meet at the Woman's Auxiliary Corps, N. G. N. Y., to meet at the Twenty-third Begiment Armory, corner of Bedford avenue and Pacific street, Brooklyn, in the council of office vp room at 3 o clock on Saturday, April 2.

This meeting is for the entering of names to join the association. The initiation fee is \$1 for working mambers, \$5 for associate members, \$10 for charter members. \$2 for associate members, \$10 for charter members, \$2 for associate members, \$10 for charter members. \$2 for association, the best of nares will be severided by Government. The best of nares will be severided in case of need. Sixters, one and all, will you join us in the good work?

WILMINGTON, Del., April 1.—The Grand Army of the Republic men in this city have tendered their services to the President for garrison duty if necessary. Two machine shops here are engaged in making powder machinery for the Dupont Company. Adjt.-Gen. Hart was busy to day in getting the militia paraphernalia at the armory here in shape for transportation. Government officers to day inspected two tugs, 110 feet long, now being built here for the Hartford and New Haven Railroad. One is almost seady for service and the other will be launched next week.

Cutters Windom and Manning at Norfolk. NORFOLK, Va., April 1 .- The revenue cutters Windom and Manning arrived at the Norfolk Navy Yard to-day. They are to be converted to armored gunboats, and specific orders have been received to push the work upon them.
The Vicksburg, a composite gunboat, came up
to the yard to-day from Hampton Roads, and
a comparatively slight work upon her will
t consume many days.

WARFEBLING IN CONGRESS | SUNS FOR SHE SUMMERS FLERE | HAVANA WILDLY EXCITED. at Least 900 Stx and One Foundary on Main

> to Meet Any Domund That May He Made. WARMINGTON, April L.—The foresight of the navy in manufacturing a large supply of smallcalibre guns for emergencies and to equip auxiliaries has been fortunate for the service, in view of the difficulty experienced in making prompt purchases abroad of these guns and the impracticability of turning out rapidly any guns except the six-pounders and machine ve riety. There are now on hand guns to meet any demand the navy may make, and within a short time at least 200 six and one pounders will be ready for any additional small craft and yachts of the type lately purchased that may be impressed by the navy. Requisitions made on the Ordnance Bureau for guns to place on the revenue cutters and lighthouse tenders and tugs and yachts have been promptly met, and without drawing upon the supply of four, five, and six inch rifles stored away at the New York yard for installation on the large merchant ships, should any of these vessels b pressed into war service. Where the guns have all come from the experts will not say, except that not one has been purchased abroad, and that there is on hard now sufficient to supply an equally large auxiliary fleet as that preparing for action at the Brookyn Navy Yard. Each revenue cutter is to have a rapid-fire gun of four or six inch calibre mounted on her fore castle, in addition to the secondary batteries now carried. These guns are on their way to the Norfok yard, where the ships are preparing or service. Yachts of the Eagle class will, in

At the gun factory here workmen are now en gaged chiefly upon a large number of 6-pounders, which the Government is anxious to secure for whatever new vessels may be put in ser vice from the merchant fleets. While there are an abundance of guns to arm the ships now undergoing transformation, there would be few left after the large merchant vessels are fitted out for reserve purposes. For this reason the navy is hastening work on every gun at the factory here, small or large, and the private firm baving a contract for fifteen 6-inch rifles has been urged to expedite its work. At least three months' time is necessary to turn out guns of the type which would be most required. and but for the fact that Congress two years ago authorized \$500,000 for manufacturing just this variety, there would not be a single gup now available for the vessel lately purchased or the ships of the American line class, that will be put into service immediately on it ecoming apparent that war is not to be avoided. The Naval Ordnance Bureau is now satisfled with its work. It has all the ammunition and guns to meet present requirements and with 200 small pounders to be ready soon, the deficlency in this class will also have been met.

addition, carry a rapid-fire gun on the forward

AUXILIARY NAVY LISTED.

About All the Ships That the Naval Board Will Recommend Selected.

The Board on Auxiliary Cruisers were all in own again yesterday. The three members of the board who went to Boston on Thursday to aspect the steamer Shawmut reported that the vessel would not do. Lieutenant-Commander Reeder, who, with Passed Assistant Engineer Danforth, went to Philadelphia to in spect the steamer Lebanon, reported that she was admirably adapted for service as a collier, She was so recommended.

These reports having been made, the board began the preparation of a tabulated list of all the vessels recommended to the Navy Department up to date. This list included the names description, and cost of purchase. When an adjournment was taken at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon all vessels recommended up to the beginning of this week had been put on the list A blueprint of the list was forwarded to the ecretary of the Navy last night. When this work is done, the work of the board will be oractically completed. While they would like to nick up three or four coal boats, a couple of epair ships, and two or three water boats, the board are not kept here for that purpose. They are really kep there to oversee the fitting out and nanning of the vessels whose purchase will be ordered immediately in case of war.

THE MAINE" INCIDENT" DISCUSSED. nate Foreign Relations Committee Will Make

WASHINGTON, April 1.-The Benate Commitee on Foreign Relations to-day spent almost the entire time in again going over the report in the Maine case and in digesting the testimony taken by the court and comparing it in certain particulars with the statements made before the committee by Capt. Sigsbee, Capt. Barker,

There is ground for the belief that the Maine disaster is to be made the subject of the President's forthcoming message quite as much as the general situation in Cubs, but whether the President does of ot, it appears to be the intention of the committee to deal with that subject fully and make ecommendations to the Senate that will startle

Some little time was given to-day to the consideration of the resolutions pending before the committee, and, as has been heretofore said, it is thought the resolution of Mr. Foraker will be the one forming the basis of that portion of the report to the Senate.

The committee has not yet formally taken a

coll on the subject, but informally it is known that it is ready to report a resolution recogniz ing the independence of Cuba and directing the President to forcibly intervene and stop the war. The committee will endeavor to put this resolution through without debate.

To-morrow the sub-committee will begin the task of formulating its report, in so far as it relates to the Maine incident. It will be a thorough review of the testimony, and will reach the conclusion that the hattleship was destroyed by such enormous force and power that it cannot be admitted that the necessary explosives could be had in Havana outside of Government stores. On this part of the great question it is said to-night the report of the committee will be a surprise to the

INTERVENTION BY THE POPE. Report That He Is Urging Spain to Propos an Armistice with the Cubaus.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUR. MADRID, April 1.-The report of Papal Intervention in the dispute between Spain and the United States has been revived. It is stated that his Holiness is urging Spain to propose as armistice, and is also trying to influence the Cuban patriots in a similar manner.

The Queen Regent has signified her intention to form a ladies' committee, with herself as President, to take charge of and educate the children who have been made orphans by the

war in Cuba.

War Volunteers from Political Clubs CLEVELAND. O., April 1 .- A company of volumteers to go to war was formed to-day among the miployees of the Public Works Department, all Republicans, and another company is being Polish Republican Club, held last evening, reso-lutions of sympathy for Cuba were adopted.

The 150 members pledged themselves to join the army in case of war. Dr. H. Pond, who commanded the East End McKinley regiment in the last Presidential campaign, is forming a volunteer regiment under direction of Adjt.-

Miantenemeb to Sail To-Day for Key West. PHILADELPHIA, April 1.—The monitor Miantoomoh has been ordered to sail for Key West to-morrow at noon. Work began to-night to put a deck load of coal on her, and the men a League Island yard will work all night. Her bunkers are filled and her crew is complete.

Child Run Over and Killed by a Truck. James Walker, the 4-year-old son of John Walker, a printer, of 212 Elizabeth street, was run over and killed, last evening, at Prince and Elizabeth streets by a truck driven by Lawrence Murphy of 527 East 185th street. Murphy was arrested.

SPANISH HOPES RAISED BY PAIRT TALES FROM MADRID.

Colonels of Voluntoers Assure Con. Minnes of Their Bendiness to Fight-Able-Bodied Men Between 19 and 45 Called Out-A Military Train Was Blown Up While the Succom of Autonomy Was Being Procintmed

HAVANA, April 1 .- Havana has been in th eatest excitement since last night. Nor even when the riots of January last took place was this city in such a state of effervescence. The mmediate cause of the excitoment is a desdatch from Madrid received yesterday at 9 P. M. say ing that all the negotiations between Senor agasta and Gen. Woodford had ended and that there was no more hope of peace,

To-day another despatch from Madrid has kindled even more the popular war spirit. It says that the European powers are ready to in tervene to prevent a rupture of diplomatic re lations between the United States and Spain; that Spain will neither accept an indemnity for abandoning Cuba nor give to the United States the least hope that such a proposal will be considered, and that Spain will not under any con ditions withdraw her troops from the island of

Cuba. The meeting at the palace last night of the Colonels of volunteers, presided over by Gen. Blanco, is considered by the Spanish press to day as most important. The Colonels said that they were at the Captain-General's orders, ready to defend Havana city, and that they had given up all their political differences in the presence of an insulting foreign power. Gen. Blanco said to them:

"I am glad and proud of being a Spaniard to night, seeing that when the case requires it al the sons of our great motherland are worthy of their name and the glories of their fore fathers."

La Lucha this afternoon prints a flerce edite rial saying that the honor of Spain will be defended no matter how much blood may be shed. "In case of defeat," La Lucha adds "Spain will only lose Cuba and Porto Rico. but if the United States are defeated their national credit will receive a blow from which it will be hard to recover in many years. But triumphant or not, Spain will fight with glory. Her army and navy are formed of Spanish patriots, and not of greedy foreigners and adventurers like those of the United States While the Spanish soldier will fight for Spain the American will fight for his salary."

This article has inflamed Spanish patriotism All able-bodied men from 19 to 45 years have been called to arms to join the battalions of volunteers.

The Autonomist Cabinet called at the Palace to express to Gen. Blanco the patriotic pro-Spanish feeting of its members. Immediately afterward the President of the Cabinet, Senor Galvez, in consultation with Gen. Blanco, drew up the despatch to President McKinley protesting against American interference and assuring him that autonomy under the sovereignty of Spain is a great success.

Meanwhile the insurgents are giving trouble. The official news has just been received that a military train from Guanabana has been blown up with dynamite by the Cubans near Matanzas

NAVY DESERTERS WELCOMED BACK Capable Seamen Find Uncle Sam Willing to Over

WASHINGTON, April 2.-The Navy Department has authorized the statement that deserters from the United States Navy whose records for good conduct and efficiency up to the time of their taking French leave were excellent may not only expect great leniency is they surrender themselves at this very critical period, but stand a fair show of being restored

to duty. The department's announcement reads bit narrower than this; but the truth of the matter is that no punishment whatever awaits capable men-of-war's men, who, for some reason or other best known to themselves have "jumped ship," and who shall present themselves on board receiving ships ready for another bag and hammock. Such men may be taken below and brigged for a day or so while an "investigation" is in progress, but the changes are about a hundred to one that they will the skip up the berth deck ladder and aft to the paymaster's storeroom for a fit-out of bluejacket clothes and gear. The navy has never stood in such need of trained men-of-war's men as it does at this time. Any number of nev men are being shipped throughout the country, but even by the most careful manipulation o transfers the department finds that it will be difficult to get enough old-timers aboard each ship to lick into efficient shape the green young for the first time-and it would be difficult to over-describe the complete, almost ludicrous uscleseness of a new man-of-war's man; the rawest army recruit is a veteran compared to

the just-shipped naval tar The Navy Department is aware that not alone hundreds but thousands of men are kicking around the United States, most of them at work at their trades, who during the past fifwork at their trades, who during the past fif-teen years or so have deserted from the United States Navy, and the majority of whom are no doubt itching to get back into the sea service, but fear detection and confinement in mayal prisons if they show up aboard the receiving ships for enlistment under assumed names. This is the class of men—a very great number of them excellent men, too—that the depart-ment stands willing to forgive and to treat on the books as "stragglers" if they make their ap-pearance in this emergency and apply for re-emilistment.

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A large number of men who during past years have deserted from the navy for reasons that they considered valid, or even for no particular reason, at, all other than a desire to get back to work ashore, have already, since the beginning of the international excitement, shipped ahoard the receiving ships under assumed names. These have been recognized by former shipmates, almost to a man, but no effort has been made to bring them to book. The officers with whom the deserters formerly served have, many of them, recognized the men as soon as they came over the receiving ship gangways, but they have given no sign of such recognition, and they decidedly do not wisu, to take any official cognizance of the returned prodigals former careers in the navy. In inviting the deserters of good records (aside from their desertions) to return and be forgiven and restored to duty, the Navy Department takes it for granted that only the deserters who know that their conduct during their former enlistments entitles them to avail themselves of this invitation will seek resipment on board the receiving ships. But it is not probable that even the men whose conduct before their desertion was not of the best, providing they, were frated as efficient men, will be turned down if they take advantage of the department's gonerous offer to restore them to officenship in return for their serving out the balance of their broken enlistments.

It would be judging beside the mark to suppose that all of the men who have in past years taken, voluntary leave of the United States Navy are necessarily bad lots. There is a fairly good reason behind the desertion of every man who has put in as much as two years in a bluelacket uniform. A considerable proportion of the deserters from the United States naval service were practically forced to desert. The navy has lost thousands of good men in this way—men who

GREAT CATCHES OF SEALS.

Good Prospects of the Newfoundland Fleet

Among the Ice Fleids. Sr. Jonn's, N. F., April 1. -The British ateamer Iceland, Capt. Blandford, bus arrived here from the ice fields with 24,000 ceals. This in the heaviest catch in proportion to the size of the vessel ever carrid. She reports that the Aurora has taken 25,000 seals and the Diana 20,000. She sighted others of the fleet among the scale, but doesn't know their fares. The prospects of the flahery are excellent. THE PERKY AT REF WHEE. Agninet Spanish Torpeds Scats.

THE SUL, SATURDAY, A BILLY, 1898.

Kar Warr, April 1 .- Commander West, calef of staff to Commodore Hampson, has been relieved, and will go to New York on the Mallory line steamer. He will at once take command of

the cruiser Princeton. Capt. Chadwick will add the duties of chief of staff to those he already has as commander o the flagship New York, Lieut, Marsh is still fleet secretary. Fleet Lieutenant Harlow has been relieved by Lieut, Staunton for orders. His ssociates say that he will get command of one of the newly purchased mayal yearels.

The monitor Terror passed Jupiter Inlet at 10 o'clock this morning steaming at moderate speed, and is sure to arrive here to-morrow. The Amphitrite and Miantonomoh are to come as well as the Puritan. These monitors, because of their great gun

power and light draft, are to be kept among the

Keys here for the defence of the supply stations

here and at Dry Tortugas in case the squadron

already here should be ordered to make an

attack on Spanish territory. It was learned officially here that the Spanish warships Vizcaya and Oquendo left Havana and teamed away to the east this afternoon. It is natural to suppose, the officers say, that they have gone to join the Spanish torpedo flotilla on the way to San Juan in the Island of Porto Rico, but Commodore Sampson will take every precaution to prevent a surprise in case they should swing around for night attack on the squadron here.

The gunboat Newport, which was at Tampa o-day to land Admiral Walker's Nicaragua Canal survey party, has left for Key West and will arrive to-morrow morning. The Nashville returned here from Dry Tortugas to-day.

The stripping of the ships of all superfluous dunnage continued vigorously to-day. Even refrigerators and the clothes chests of the crews, everything that could throw splinters if struck by a projectile, all are being stored on shore, The crews of the ships are working with enthu slasm. It is a cheerful condition of affairs afloat here for a patriot to contemplate.

GOLD BEATERS GOING TO STRIKE They Will Resist a Cut of 25 Per Cent. in Their Wages, Taking Effect Next Monday.

A few days ago the employing goldbeaters throughout the country notified their hands that, beginning on Monday, wages would be reduced 25 per cent. At the present rate the men receive \$12 a week, and piece workers can make from \$15 to \$17 a week.

There are about 500 goldbeaters throughout the country, most of whom belong to the out the country, most of whom belong to the Goldbeaters' Protective Union. Local No. 1 of New York, which takes in New York, Brooklyn, and Jersey City, has about 200 members.

A meeting of the New York local was held last night, at which it was decided to notify the employers that the reduction would not be accepted. The other branches of the union throughout the country will follow suit, so that a general strike of goldbeaters is likely to occur on Monday.

Some time after the Dingley tariff was established the wages of the goldbeaters were voluntarily raised by the employers. They now want to reduce them to the old rate.

DEMANDS OF LABOR UNIONS. Those of the Tile Layers' Helpers Went Into

Effect Vesterday. The demands of the Hexagon Labor Club of Tile Layers' Helpers for 25 cenis a day advance in wages and car fare to and from work went inte effect yesterday. A number of employers have refused to concede the advance, but no action as to strikes will be taken until to-day or Monday.

Want Increased Pay and Fewer Workin MOUNT VERNON, N. Y., April 1 .- Nearly 200

nasons and bricklayers of this city began a atrike to-day for eight hours' work and an in-crease in their pay from \$3 and \$3.25 a day to \$3.50 and \$4. The contractors acceded to the eight-hour proposition, but declined to make an increase in wages.

Legal Presecution Followed by a Strike. The bakers employed by John Glebel & Son of

3199 Third avenue struck yesterday to compe recognition of the union. The owners of the bakery were arraigned in the Court of Special Sessions on Thursday for falling to provide proper hand-rails for the stairs in the bakery. The court suspended sentence, Newark Painters Demand Increased Pay.

Progressive Painters' Union No. 1 of Newark resterday ordered strikes in all shops where the nen are not paid \$2.50 a day for eight hours, It is said that the painters in only six shops will strike, although there are many shops where the wages are not over \$2.25 a day. In fourteen shops the employers granted the increase.

Donnelly Interfered When Mansfield Beat His

Alexander Manafield of 239 West Sixty-second street was stabbed four times last night by John Donnelly, who lives in the same house. One of the wounds is in the abdomen and is serious The other three, which are in the thigh, are slight. Mansfield, who has a wife and two chilslight. Mansfield, who has a wife and two chil-dren, has been out of work recently. Donnelly, who was his friend, took the family into his fiat. Last night Mansfield, while drunk, beat his wife. Donnelly interfered and the two men fought. Donnelly finally drew a penknife, Mansfield's 12-year-old son tried to help his father, and Donnelly cut him slightly on the arm. The elder Mansfield was sent to Roose-veit Hospital. Donnelly was arrested.

A Benefit for Percita West.

A benefit with an unusually worthy purpose vill be given to-night at Carnegie Lyceum. It is to enable little Percita West to continue her studies without being compelled to become a child actress again. Her father, Perry West child actress again. Her father, Perry West, died several months ago. Formerly little Miss West was one of the best-known of child actresses, but her parents, in order to have her talents develop naturally, took her from the stage and sent her to school. Miss West will recite a monologue to-night, and Franklin Sargent will present three one-act plays, Eibridge T. Gerry, who has long been interested in Miss West's progress, has sent a substantial contribution. Others who have contributed liberally are Daniel Frohman and Tony Pastor.

Cougressman Edmund H. Driggs's Cadetahip. Congressman Edmund H. Driggs has invited dl young men between 17 and 22 years old residing in the Third Congress district, Brooklyn, to compete for the West Point cadetship at his disposal. The physical examination will be held on April 9 at 10 A. M. at Fire Headquarters, and the mental examination at the rooms of the Board of Education in Livingston street on April 16 at the same hour.

Child Fatally Burned at a Bonfire.

Six-year-old Ethel Shepard, whose parents live at 48 Bedford avenue, Williamsburg, was urned all over the body yesterday at a bonfire in an open lot at North Twelfth street and Hed-ford avenue. The girl was with playmates and helped to start the fire. Her dress lightled, and before assistance reached her she was enveloped in fire. She was taken to the Eastern District Hospital, where she died last night. Navigation Open from Chicago.

CHICAGO, April 1 .- Navigation began at noon o-day by the terms of marine insurance. All yesterday boats laden with grain were towed

down the river to be ready to get away. Thir-teen vessels cleared yesterday with 1,271,275 bushels of grain aboard. The first boat through the straits will probably be the steamer W. H. Wolf, which makes the start from Milwaukse. R. and O. Reorganization Bill Passed. BALTIMORE, April 1,-The Baltimore and Ohio corganization bill, which had already passed

the House, was passed by the State Senate with out a dissenting voic, 21 to 0, and only await the signature of the Governor to become a law

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN. A new directory has been issued by the Audit Com-pany of New York. It is entitled the "Directory of Directors in the City of New York." Its object is so supply as easy reference in the case where the names of different companies of which a man is President or director are desired. Business addresses only are siven.

Deputy Sheriff Gilligan received an attachment pesterday against the Imperial Electric Company, manufacturer of electric motors and lamps at 140 Washington street, for 2260 to favor of Thomas H. Williams, and an execution for \$425 in favor of S. F. layie & Co., and a keeper has been placed in charge of the factory.

Judgments of absolute divorce were granted pus-terday by Justice Keilogs to Mary Hoth from William Roth and to Dora Koerner from Hyman Koerner, and by Justice Daly to John E. Wills from Mary Wills. A Post Office sub-station was opened yesterday at NOT TO BUY DANISH ISLES. Portion of Pence Red Wet Adjusted Metworn Corte

THE POREIGN RELATIONS COMMIT-TEE'S BILL ABANDONED.

noon in a secret legislative session discussing the

report of the Committee on Foreign Relations

advocating the purchase of the Danish Island of

St. Thomas, east of Porto Rico, for a coaling

station. The committee, by a majority report,

favored the purchase of these islands and re-

ported a bill appropriating \$5,000,000 for that

tus. The opponents of the proposition were

Senators Gorman, Perkins, Pettigrew, Gaffery

The discussion was begun in a general speech

by Mr. Lodge, who reported the bill, showing

the advantages to the United States in possess-

ing this island for a coaling station for our

Both Senators Lodge and Frye laid much stress

opon the strategic importance of the island,

and maintained that if the war with Spain continued for any length of time the

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Mr. Perkins also opposed it because of the ter

itorial acquisition scheme that was behind it.

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mittee also took the ground that it would re-

During the discussion Mr. Morgan made some

severe strictures against Spain, and asserted his

fards. Senator Tillman broke into the speech of

which it was keeping back from the Sen-

ate. If the committee had any information on that subject Mr. Tillman said it should give

the Senate the advantage of the information

Mr. Tillman was severe in his denunciation of

the committee, and was finally commanded to

BLAST SMASHES GRAND PIANO.

A Half-Ton Bock Fell on It While It Was H

ing Moved in the Monticello.

Max Perini, a contractor, of 443 East 113th

street, created much consternation yesterday in

the neighborhood of his blasting operations, at

the southeast corner of West End avenue and

Eightieth street. He turned loose one blast at

dearroying it.

Perini was arrested and locked up in the West
Sixty-eighth street station by request of William
B. Frank, owner of the Monticello, and Mr.

Wire Trust Causes Temporary Suspension

CLEVELAND, O., April 1.-Three thousand men

are out of work here this morning as a result of

the control of the Wire Trust of three of Cleve-

land's largest plants. Reports from northers

Ohio indicate a general suspension of industry

which of course is only temperary. At Salen the wire and nail department of the Salem Wir. Nail Company is closed down and all employed have been paid in full. The American Steel and Wire Company, to which the local company has sold out, takes possession of the works.

Dora Arnold Held for Trial.

Mrs. Dora Arnold, who shot Lawyer La Fay-

ette R. Beckley in his Nassau street office two

weeks ago, was held in the Centre Street Court

yesterday by Magistrate Simms in \$2,500 bail for trial. When the Magistrate refused her lawyer's motion to discharge for lack of evidence, Law-yer Friend waived examination, Mrs. Arnold was locked up in the Tombs in default of ball.

Confirmed by the Senate.

WASHINGTON, April 1.-These nominations

Judson W. Lyons of Georgia, Register of the Treas

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were confirmed by the Senate to-day:

about 5 o'clock that landed a ton or more of rock

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Special Cante Desputch to Tax Sun. Color, Colombia April 1.—Costa Rican advices just received here say that the terms of Was Considered to Secret Semion of the Scenete, and the Opposition to It Was So Strong That It Was Decided to Withdraw It seace between Costa Ries and Nicaragua have not yet been adjusted, and that troops are being pushed forward. President Iglesias will take WASHINGTON, April 1 .- In accordance with the field next week. The Government of Costa the notice given yesterday by Senator Lodge, Rica has purchased the British steamer Casma, the Senate spent the greater part of this after which has been in the local trade in the West

OBSTRAL AMERICA'S WAS.

Indies and Central America.

New Orleans, April 1.—Passengers from Port Limon announce that the republic of Costa Rica has borrowed \$1,000,000 from the Banco de Costa Rica for war purposes, and has now 4,000 men on the Nicaraguan frontier. A skirmish occurred on Feb. 14, the Nicaraguan troops crossing the frontier and being driven back with some loss,

The bill was considered in secret session for fear something should be said relating to the All the foreigners residing in Costa Rica have national defences which it would be inadvisable offered money and their services to the republic. to reach the Spanish authorities. Nothing of The German residents have raised enough money to erect a military hospital for the Those who favored the purchase of the islands The Government of Guatemala has speeches more or less brief were Senators offered its services as arbitrator between the Lodge, Frye, Mason, Hawley, Morgan, and Pettwo republics.

FUNERAL OF MRS. PARNELL. Her Body Laid Beside That of Her Son in the Cemetery at Glassevin.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUS. DUBLIN, April 1 .- The funeral of Mrs. Delia Tudor Stewart Parnell, who died on March 27 from the effects of burns received through the igniting of her clothing while she was sitting by the fire at her home, Avondale, county Wicklow, took place at Glasnevin to-day. Her body was placed in the grave beside that of her son, Charles Stewart Parnell, in Glasnevin Ceme-

storm centre would be in the vicinity of Perto Rico and not about Havana and the western end of Cuba, as had been suggested by tery, three and a half miles from this city. A large number of persons accompanied the many. That being true, the United States would be several hundred miles away from its body from Avondale to Rathdrum, where the base at Dry Tortugas, and this acquisition was coffin was put on a train and brought by rail to Dublin. An immense gathering of people met the body at the station and a still greater crowd as essential to the speedy termination of the assembled at the cemetery. A great many wreaths were sent to the Parnell home and the Mr. Gorman opposed the scheme on the ground that it was not needed as a war measure and that under the guise of a war cemetery, a number of them by Americans. One of the wreaths, a very handsome one, was sent tory. He called attention to the fact that by United States Ambassador Hay sented on behalf of the Ambassador by Mr. Wil Congress had expressed its perfect confidence bour, United States Consul at Dublia. in the President by voting an emergency appro-

WELSH MINERS ON STRIKE.

Their Action Stops the Supply of Conl of Eussian Warships at Port Arthur. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, April 1,-The miners in six South Wales collieries went on strike to-day. The strike threatens to be serious. Russia i the first sufferer. The steamer Labuan, now at Cardiff, ought to have finished loading 6.000 tons of coal at midday for the Russian warships

at Port Arthur. ment to secure possession and fortify the place As yot she has not succeeded in getting any of to make it available in the impending conflict. her cargo aboard, and the chances are remote of her getting any. Her owners had secured the Besides, Porto Rico would not be difficult to capture, and we could in that way secure a coalextraordinary freightage of thirty shillings

In all, 40,000 men have quit work,

belief that the Maine was blown up by the Span-MR. GLADSTONE HAS A BAD NIGHT Mr. Morgan to ask who did it, and intimated His Rest Broken by a Recurrence of the Pain that the committee had some information That Accompanies His Malady.

Special Cable Despatch to THE BUR. LONDON, April 1 .- Mr. Gladstone did not rest so well last night as on several previous nights, having had a recurrence of the pain which accompanies his malady. The bulletin regarding his condition issued this evening says that he is now more comfortable.

stop by Mr. Morgan, who refused to longer yield STORMY VOYAGE OF A STEAMSHIP. the floor.

The opposition to the bill developed such Heavy Damage Done and One Life Leet on Board the Forest Brook eration has been abandoned and the matter will

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUR. DARTMOUTH, April 1 .- The British steamship Forest Brook, Capt. Critsey, from Baltimore via Hampton Roads, arrived here to-day in a lamaged condition. She reports that during henvy weather she lost all her lifeboats and teering geer, had her davits damaged and bulwarks stove, and received other injuries about the decks. One of her crew was killed.

PRINCE BISMARCK'S BIRTHDAY. Present from Emperor William of a Crutcher Stick with a Gold Handle.

on the Monticello flats, at West End avenue and Seventy-ninth street.

J. Morris Brown of the medical supply department, in the Army building, was having his furniture moved into the Monticello at the time. All was in but a grand plano. A plece of rock weighing 1,000 pounds fell on the plano, destroying it. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUB. BERLIN, April 1.-To-day was the eighty-third anniversary of the birth of Prince Bismarck. The ex-Chancellor passed the day quietly in his family circle. He is well, though still unable to walk. There was the customary deiuge of presents. Emperor William sent a crutched stick with a gold handle, on which

was the imperial monogram, Bark Augioletta B. Loses Her Rudder.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUR. FATAL, April 1 .- The Italian bark Angioletta R., Capt. Roncalla, from Pensacola for Genoa. arrived here to-day with the loss of her rudder.

CHINA CANCELS ORDERS

Bailroad Construction Northward Stopped at Russin's Bidding. Special Cable Despatch to THE SUR LONDON, April 2 .- A despatch to the Times from Pekin says that as China, at Russia's bidding, has stopped the railway construction

northward to the Great Wall, which was re-

cently begun under English engineers 3,000

000 tacis' worth of orders for material that were placed in Great Britain, the United States, and Germany have been cancelled. Naval Demonstration Ordered by China.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUR. PERIN, April 1 .- Orders have been given for an immediate naval demonstration in the Gulf of Pechili, in which the greatest possible dis-

ury.
Campbell L. Maxwell of Ohio, Consul-General at
San Domingo, Dominican Republic.
Louis Kaiser of Hithols, Consul at Mazatlan, Mexico, and James C. McCook of Pennsylvaula, at Dawson
City, Northwest Territory.
Mahlon M. Garland, Surveyor of Customs at Pittsplay of power shall be made. SUICIDE OF A FIREMAN. Me Poisoned Himself with Carbolic Acid in the Hathroom of the Engine House, org, Frank E. Keilogg, Collector of Customs, Sixth Mis-curi district.

Daniel Drew, a fireman connected with Engine 32, killed himself last night with carbolic acid in the bathroom of the engine house at 108 John Street. Bonner said that a trivial charge was pending against him. It is alleged that he drank too much after the last pay day. His widow is a consumptive.

Commission to Investigate the Postal Service. WASHINGTON, April 1 .- The House Committee on Post Offices and Post Roads to-day favorably reported the joint resolution creating a commission, consisting of four Senators and four Representatives, to make a full inquiry and examination into the postal service, including rates and methods of transportation, rental of cars, subsidies, pneumatic tube systems, rural free delivery, the classification of mail matter, and charges thereon, especially second-class matter, and the rulings and bractices that have obtained thereunder, and such other features of the postal service as they doem proper to subject to their inquiry and examination. Twenty thousand dollars is appropriated to pay the necessary expenses. The report of the commission, including its conclusions and recommendations, is to be made to Congress before Jan. 1 next.

B. and O. Affairs.

BALTIMORE, April 1 .- Messrs. John K. Cower and Oscar G. Murray, the receivers of the Baltimore and Oblo Railroad, filed in the United states Circuit Court this morning their reports of the receipts and disbursements of the company during January. The report on the general business of the road, which is the twenty-third the receipts away made, is as follows: Total receipts, \$3.755.139.07; total disbursements, \$3,103,319.49; balance, \$651.819.58.

Against Hart's Aspirations to He a Judge. ALBANY, April 1,-Justice Chester of the Su preme Court to day handed down a decision lenying the application of Coleridge A. Har denying the application of Coleridge A. Hart for a writ of beremptory mandamus to compel the State Board of Canvassers to reconvene and declare him elected as a Justice of the Supreme Court in the Second Judiciar District. Hart re-ceived five votes at the election has fail, and was the only candidate voted for at the time for the office, in which a vacancy was created in August, 1898, by the death of Justice Calvin E. Fratt.

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THE THIRTY-DAY BILLS About Six Hundred Left for the Consideration

ALBANY, N. Y., April 1 .- It is estimated today that the final adjournment of the Legisla-ture yesterday left about 600 bills in the hands of Gov. Black for his consideration during the ensuing thirty days. Last year the list of bills remaining to be acted upon by the Governor numbered 783, nearly 200 more than this year. The Governor has signed thus far 211 laws, as compared with 374 at the time of adjournment last year. Of the 600 thirty-day bills left over, 313 are in the safe in the Executive chamber and there are about 64 Assembly bills and 115 Senate bills in the hands of the clerks of the two houses to be sent to the Governor. There are 82 Assembly bills in the hands of Mayors of cities and an uncertain number of Senate bills, but it is believed the aggregate of all the bills left will not exceed 600.

Musta't Wear a Religious Garb in the Public

ALBANY, April 1,-Superintendent Skinner of the State Department of Public Instruction today handed down his decision sustaining the appeal of Eugene Lockwood and others from the refusal of the Board of Education of School District No. 9, city of Corning, to comply with the request of the appellants that certain teachers employed in one of the schools in the district be required to discontinue wearing in the school-room, during the hours such school is in session, room, during the hours such school is in seasion, the distinguishing dress or garb of the religious order to which they belong, and from the sotion of the board in leasing a building, the property of the Roman Catholic Church, in which one of the schools of the district is maintained. The superintendent holds that the wearing of such distinctive garb by toachers in the public schools during school hours and while teaching therein constitutes a sectarian influence which ought not to be persisted in, and decides that the building must not be used for school purposes after Sept. 1 next.

The Governor Taking a Rest in the Adiron dacks.

ALBANY, April 1 .- It was stated at the Executive Chamber to-day that Gov. Black's party, which left yesterday afternoon for a tour of the Adirondacks, will not return to Albany until Tuesday next, Col. Griffith, the Governor's private secretary, says he is in telegraphic comnunication with the Governor, and will keep him informed in case any emergency arises which would call for the services of the State troops. would call for the services of the State Frops.

The Gubernatorial party is travelling from place to place in the Adirondacks, sough ensenned in two elegant private cars, one a dining and smoking car and the other a hotel car. The party includes Senators Ellsworth, Stranshan, White, Higgins and Humphrey, Superintendent Kilburn of the State Banking Department, Speaker O'Grady of the Assembly, and former Assemblyman George C. Austin.

Civil Service Appointments.

ALBANY, April 1 .- The State Civil Service Commission has been notified of the appointpent of Dr.W. M. Clark of Mattenwan as junior assistant physician and Edward N. McNeill of assistant physician and Patrick S. Accounts.

New York as stenographer in the Manhattan
State Hospital. W. J. Day of Seneca Falls has
been appointed assistant electrical engineer in
the Long Island State Hospital and G. C.
Wehling of Rome instructor in the care and
firing of steam boilers in the State Industrial
School at Rochester.



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